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- 1. MFA RESUBMITTED ORIGINAL REQUEST (REF B) FOR VISAS FOR PEKSHEV AND WIFE TO RESIDE IN NEW YORK WITH US-USSR TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL.
- 2. FIVE AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES AND ASSISTANTS ARE ALREADY RESIDENT IN MOSCOW WITH COUNCIL: JOHN T. CONNOR, JR.; MARY CHAPMAN; SERGEI SCHACHOWSKOJ; PHYLLIS SCHROEDER; AND ANN DRADE. ACCORDING TO CONNOR AT LEAST THREE ADDITIONAL SOVIETS WILL APPLY FOR VISAS TO JOIN COUNIL OFFICCE NIN NEW YORK: IGOR KHRAMTSOV; VIKTOR SOLODOV; AND VALERY POPYRUM.
- 3. CONNOR REQUESTED AMEMBASSY PROPOSE RECIPROCAL ISSUANCE OF MULTIPLE VISAS. HE HAD INFORMALLY DISCUSSED IDEA WITH SOVIET CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND BELIEVES THEY WOULD AGREE TO RECIPROCAL ISSUANCE OF SUCH VISAS TO SENIOR THREE REPRESENTATIVES.
- 4. EMBASSY SUGGESTS IT BE AUTHORIZED TO PROPOSE TO MFA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT BOTH SIDES ISSUE MULTIPLE VISAS FOR UP TO FIVE

EMPLOYEES PLUS FAMILIES. EMBASSY WILL NOTE THAT ANY INITIAL IMBALANCE IS OFFSET BY ABSENCE OF EXIT VISA REQUIREMENT IN US. IF MFA INSISTS ON RESTRICTING AGREEMENT TO SENIOR THREE PLUS FAMILIES, EMBASSY WOULD BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT WITH DEPT CONCURRENCE.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTEMENT'S VIEW ON APPROPRIATENESS OF ABOVE PROPOSAL TO MFA. PLEASE ALSO AUTHORIZE VISA FOR PEKSHEV AND WIFE.

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